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SUBJECT: MEXICO CONSULAR CONFERENCE - SUGGESTED AGENDA

ITEMS, PART 2 OF 3. SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICE.

FOR: SCA

REF: STATE'S 246905 & 236723 MEXICO 9670

(1) ARRESTS AND DETENTION

(A) DISCUSSION OF URGENT NEED, FOR CLEARER AND MORE SPECIFIC  
REGULATORY PROVISIONS AND GUIDANCE GOVERNING CONSULAR ASSISTANCE  
AND PROTECTION TO AMERICANS IMPRISONED ABROAD.

(B) DISCUSSION OF MEANS BY WHICH POSTS' CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE  
BURDEN COULD BE REDUCED, PARTICULARLY IN CASES WHERE AVAILABLE  
CASE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN THE DEPARTMENT.

(C) GENERAL DISCUSSION CONCERNING SCOPE OF CONSULAR ASSISTANCE  
AND SERVICES, FREQUENCY OF PRISON VISITS, PROVISION FOR IMPROVING  
PRISON MEDICAL AND SANITATION FACILITIES, PROVISION OF LEGAL  
REPRESENTATION. DISCUSSION OF NEED FOR MONTHLY ARREST REPORT  
(SUGGESTED BY CONGEN GUADALAJARA).

(2) PROTECTION OF AMERICAN PROPERTY RIGHTS

(A) SAN ANTONIO SHORES - A CASE STUDY.

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(B) CONVENTION ON RECOVERY OF STOLEN AIRCRAFT AND AUTOMOBILES.  
GENERAL DISCUSSION OF UNSATISFACTORY SITUATION WITH REGARD TO  
THIS SUBJECT AND SEVERAL CASES IN POINT.

(3) REPATRIATION OF AMERICAN CITIZENS

(A) DISCUSION OF PROPOSAL TO RAISE TO \$100 DOLLARS LOANS MADE  
AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CONSULAR OFFICER WITHOUT PRIOR AUTHORIZATION  
OF THE DEPARTMENT.  
(B) DISCUSSION OF NEED FOR MORE EFFECTIVE LIAISON AND COOPERATION  
BY HEW AND OTHER U.S. ORGANIZATIONS TO IMPROVE RECEPTION AND  
ASSISTANCE GIVEN TO REPATRIATED AMERICAN CITIZENS IN APPROPRIATE  
CASES.

(4) DISCUSSION OF PROBLEMS FACED BY AMERICAN CITIZENS IN  
RESPECT TO DOCUMENTATION AS RESIDENTS OR NON-RESIDENTS IN MEXICO.

(5) FEDERAL BENEFITS

DISCUSSION OF URGENT NEED TO MINIMIZE TIME LAG BETWEEN POSTS'  
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION AND ACTION AND RESPONSE FROM OTHER  
FEDERAL AGENCIES, PARTICULARLY THE VA. DESPITE POSTS REPEATED  
URGENT APPEALS TO VA, AND ON OCCASION SSA, LARGE NUMBERS OF  
BENEFICIARIES ARE LEFT FOR MONTHS WITHOUT FUNDS OR ADEQUATE  
EXPLANATION OF REASONS FOR CESSATION OF BENEFITS.

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